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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Commissioner for the Office Action dated August 10, 2001, and, in response, requests that the following amendments be entered:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 10 as follows:

10. (amended) The device as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 5] claim 9, wherein the paper scrap is removed from the container (03) by means of a suction removal device.